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Pursuant to section 2 of House Concurrent Resolution 440, 110th Congress, the House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. McNulty).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, November 19, 2008.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL R. MCNULTY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

NOTICE OF REASSEMBLY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair lays before the House the text of the formal notice of reassembly that was sent to Members on Friday, November 14, 2008.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, Washington, DC, November 13, 2008. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE: Pursuant to section 2 of House Concurrent Resolution 440, after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, we determine that the public interest requires that the House reassemble at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2008, the Senate already being in session.

The Sergeant at Arms is directed to notify all Members of the reassembly of the House of Representatives for additional legislative business during the second session of the One Hundred Tenth Congress.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Best Regards,

NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House. HARRY REID, Majority Leader of the Senate.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Perhaps, Lord God, it is because we look upon You as the Supreme Creator, or ever-lasting goodness or unconditional love, that we see ourselves as ever changing and each one of us as an unfinished story created, yet far from Your image and likeness.

Since life seems to be filled with an endless series of tasks and a cacophony of demands, this 110th Congress gathers for another session to seek Your mercy and guidance as we face so many limitations.

Help these representatives of people across this Nation who have worries, problems, and doubts, that they find compassion for those who suffer most, sound principles upon which to base their response, and wisdom in working out detailed and prudent solutions to very complicated issues.

With firm resolve, Lord, to listen to each other as well as to Your own revealed truth and holy inspiration, in You, our God, we place our trust now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. SKELTON) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SKELTON led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, October 15, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in clause 2(h) of rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit an envelope received from the White House on October 14, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. and said to contain a letter from the President dated October 14, 2008 whereby he submits a certification pursuant to sec. 115(a)(2) of PL 110-343.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER, Clerk of the House.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO EMERGENCY ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT OF 2008—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 110–158)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on Financial Services and ordered to be printed:

THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington, DC, October 14, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 115(a) (2) of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (Public Law 110-343) (the "Act"), I hereby certify that it is necessary for the Secretary of the Treasury to

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